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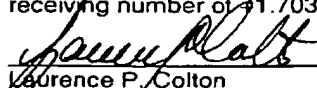
The Office Action dated 11 April 2005 from examiner Cassandra Hope Davis of Art Unit 3611 has been received. The following is submitted in response.

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STATUS

The above-captioned patent application is pending.

Claims 1-22 are pending and are subject to an election requirement.

The elected claims are Claims 1-3, 6-13, and 19-22.

Claims 4, 5, and 14-18 are withdrawn and cancelled herein.

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The original patent application was filed with 22 total claims and 3 independent claims. This Response results in 22 total claims and 3 independent claims and no excess claims fee is due.